## A Centenary Service of Celebration for the Life and Work of



## Sir Terence Rattigan, CBE 1911 – 1977

"God from afar looks graciously upon a gentle master."

St Paul's Covent Garden Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> May 2012 11.00am

## Order of Service

## **PRELUDE 'O Soave Fanciulla'** from *La Bohème* by G. Puccini Organist: Simon Gutteridge

## THE WELCOME The Reverend Simon Grigg

The Lord's Prayer

Our Father, who art in heaven, hallowed be thy name. Thy kingdom come, thy will be done, on earth as it is in heaven. Give us this day our daily bread; and forgive us our trespasses, as we forgive them that trespass against us. And lead us not into temptation, but deliver us from evil. For thine is the kingdom, the power and the glory, for ever and ever. Amen.

## **TRIBUTE** DAVID SUCHET, CBE written by Geoffrey Wansell

#### ARIA

## **'O Mio Babbino Caro'** from *Gianni Schicchi* by G. Puccini CHARLOTTE PAGE

#### HYMN

And did those feet in ancient time Walk upon England's mountains green? And was the holy Lamb of God On England's pleasant pastures seen? And did the countenance divine Shine forth upon our clouded hills? And was Jerusalem builded here Among those dark satanic mills?

Bring me my bow of burning gold! Bring me my arrows of desire! Bring me my spear! O clouds, unfold! Bring me my chariot of fire! I will not cease from mental fight, Nor shall my sword sleep in my hand, Till we have built Jerusalem In England's green and pleasant land.

## ADDRESS 'The Final Test' SIR RONALD HARWOOD, CBE

#### HYMN

I vow to thee, my country, all earthly things above, Entire and whole and perfect, the service of my love: The love that asks no question, the love that stands the test, That lays upon the altar the dearest and the best; The love that never falters, the love that pays the price, The love that makes undaunted the final sacrifice.

And there's another country I've heard of long ago, Most dear to them that love her, most great to them that know; We may not count her armies, we may not see her King; Her fortress is a faithful heart, her pride is suffering; And soul by soul and silently her shining bounds increase, And her ways are ways of gentleness and all her paths are peace.

## ADDRESS 'A Magnificent Pity For Camels' NICHOLAS FARRELL

#### HYMN

The Lord's my Shepherd, I'll not want. He makes me down to lie In pastures green; He leadeth me The quiet waters by.

My soul He doth restore again; And me to walk doth make Within the paths of righteousness, Even for His own name's sake. Yea, though I walk in death's dark vale, Yet will I fear no ill; For Thou art with me; and Thy rod And staff my comfort still.

My table Thou has furnished In presence of my foes; My head Thou dost with oil anoint, And my cup overflows.

Goodness and mercy all my life Shall surely follow me; And in God's house for evermore My dwelling place shall be.

#### READING

from **'The Deep Blue Sea'** GRETA SCACCHI and SIMON GREEN introduced by Michael Darlow

#### SONG

### 'Avalon'

by Al Jolson and Vincent Rose SIMON GREEN introduced by Michael Darlow

## ELEGY FOR SIR TERENCE RATTIGAN written and read by ADRIAN BROWN

### THE BLESSING

**Exeunt Music** 'Vissi D'Arte' from *Tosca* by G. Puccini

After the service David Suchet CBE will plant a tree in the garden of the church, in memory of Sir Terence.



#### Plays

- 1933 First Episode\*
- 1936 French Without Tears
- 1939 After the Dance
- 1940 Follow My Leader\*
- 1940 Grey Farm\*
- 1942 Flare Path
- 1943 While the Sun Shines
- 1944 Love in Idleness
- 1946 The Winslow Boy
- 1948 The Browning Version & Harlequinade
- 1949 Adventure Story
- 1950 A Tale of Two Cities\*
- 1950 Who is Sylvia?
- 1952 The Deep Blue Sea
- 1953 The Sleeping Prince
- 1954 Separate Tables
- 1958 Variation on a Theme
- 1960 Ross
- 1960 Joie de Vivre
- 1963 Man and Boy
- 1970 A Bequest to the Nation
- 1973 In Praise of Love
- 1973 Before Dawn
- 1976 Duologue
- 1977 Cause Célèbre

#### Films

- 1940 French Without Tears
- 1940 Quiet Wedding\*
- 1942 The Day Will Dawn\*
- 1942 Uncensored\*
- 1944 English Without Tears\*
- 1945 Journey Together
- 1945 The Way to the Stars\*
- 1947 While the Sun Shines\*
- 1947 Brighton Rock\*
- 1948 Bond Street\*
- 1948 The Winslow Boy\*
- 1951 The Browning Version
- 1952 The Sound Barrier
- 1953 The Final Test
- 1954 The Man Who Loved Redheads
- 1955 The Deep Blue Sea\*
- 1957 The Prince and the Showgirl
- 1958 Separate Tables\*
- 1963 The VIPs
- 1964 The Yellow Rolls-Royce
- 1969 Goodbye Mr Chips
- 1973 A Bequest to the Nation

in collaboration \*

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